IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

TOMINAGA et al.

Application No.: 10/772,272

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For: INOSINE PRODUCING BACTERIUM

BELONGING TO THE GENUS BACILLUS AND METHOD FOR

PRODUCING INOSINE

Art Unit: 1645

Examiner: Vanessa L. Ford

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for response to the Office Action dated April 7, 2006, which set a three-month shortened statutory period for reply, one month(s) to August 7, 2006.

The period for response has previously been extended to

Please charge the credit card identified in EFS-Web processing or our deposit account **50-2821** the requisite fees for this petition. Also, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, necessary to maintain pendancy of this application to the same deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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